### The California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission In Association with The Bond Buyer

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# Municipal Disclosure: Harnessing the Information Revolution

Monday, September 10, 2007 CDIAC 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Pre-conference At **The Bond Buyer's** 17<sup>th</sup> Annual California Public Finance Conference La Costa Resort and Spa 2100 Costa Del Mar Boulevard Carlsbad, California

## Agenda

#### 8:30 am Registration and Materials

(Pre-conference attendees can register and receive materials for the General Program)

#### 9:00 am Welcome and Introductions

John Decker, Executive Director, California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission (CDIAC) Michael Stanton, Publisher, The Bond Buyer

#### **Session One**

#### 9:15 am Current Issues in Disclosure Compliance

Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Rule 15c2-12 established rules for providing official statements as well as on-going rules for disclosure of financial information and material events to investors. This session will discuss how public agencies are satisfying federal disclosure requirements when faced with financial challenges. Topics include:

Responsibilities issuers face in meeting SEC rules and regulations given the availability of financial information

The application of SEC rules and regulations to recent disclosure cases

Moderator: Steve Zimmermann, Managing Director, Standard and Poor's

Speakers: Andrew Petillon, Associate Regional Director, Securities and Exchange

Commission

Carol Lew, Shareholder, Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth and President of the National Association of Bond Lawyers

Tom Weyl, Chair, National Federation of Municipal

Analysts

#### **Session Two**

#### 10:45 am Challenges in Disseminating Disclosure Information

While determining what information needs to be disclosed may be difficult, it can be equally challenging to ensure the information is disseminated in a timely and complete manner. This session will address current issues affecting the dissemination of disclosure information, including:

The disclosure process and recent advances in the dissemination of information "Hot topics" affecting issuer disclosure including the future of the Central Post Office

Resources available including the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board's realtime transaction reporting system and the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association's *Investing in Bonds* website

Moderator: Ken Kurtz, Managing Director, Moody's Investors Services

Speakers: John Deleray, Vice President, Wells Fargo Bank

Leslie Norwood, Vice President and Assistant General Counsel, The Securities Industry and Financial Markets

Association

Laura Slaughter, Deputy Executive Director, Municipal Advisory

Council of Texas

Odile Disch-Bhadkamkar, Director of Finance and Bondholder

Relations, Stanford University

#### Noon Luncheon for all Participants and Speakers

Remarks: Steve Zimmermann, Managing Director, Standard and Poor's Introduction of Keynote Speaker: Paul Rosenstiel, Deputy Treasurer, California State Treasurer's Office

Keynote Speaker: Jay Goldstone, Chief Financial Officer, City of San Diego and CDIAC Commission Member

#### **Session Three**

#### 1:30 pm Establishing Issuer Due Diligence and Disclosure Programs

Issuers are ultimately responsible for the content of their disclosure documents and can be held liable for fraudulent disclosures. Thus, issuers should establish the necessary due diligence and disclosure programs to ensure complete and accurate disclosure of information. Topics addressed in this session include:

How issuers can develop their own due diligence and disclosure programs Recent examples of successful programs

Moderator: Robert Doty, President, American Governmental Financial Services

Company

Speakers: John Driscoll, City Manager and City Attorney, City of Placerville

Cecilia Dyba, Partner, Sidley Austin LLP

Robert Olson, Attorney, Squire Sanders & Dempsey LLP

#### 3:00 pm Close of Pre-conference Program

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